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Bobby waved good-bye to his mom and walked inside the school. It felt a little weird to be there. He wasn't going to class. And he wasn't going to Kids Central. He was going to Kids Central summer camp!

In the gym Bobby saw a bucket of water balloons. A tall man was wearing a T-shirt that said: "Kids Central Summer

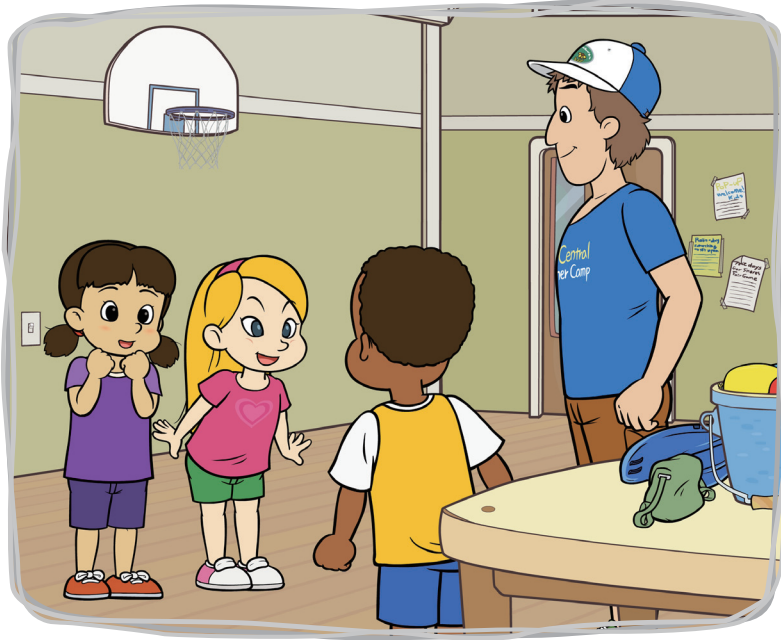


Camp." He also had on a baseball cap.

"Welcome, camper," the man said. "Let me guess. Bobby?"

"That's me," Bobby said. "Are you Mr. Dunn?" His mom had told him Miss Shelly wouldn't be teaching this summer.

Mr. Dunn smiled. "That's me. My friend Miss Shelly told me all about you.



I hear you're on your way to becoming a basketball star."

Bobby tried not to grin. "Nah," he said.

Suddenly the gym door burst open and two girls rushed in. "Nina! Izzie! You guys are here for the summer too?" Bobby said.

"The whole summer," Izzie said.

"I can't wait," said Nina. "Even though



I'm here already." The two girls giggled. Then they looked up at their new teacher. "Hi, Mr. Dunn," they said.

"Nice to meet you," Mr. Dunn said. "We're just waiting for—"

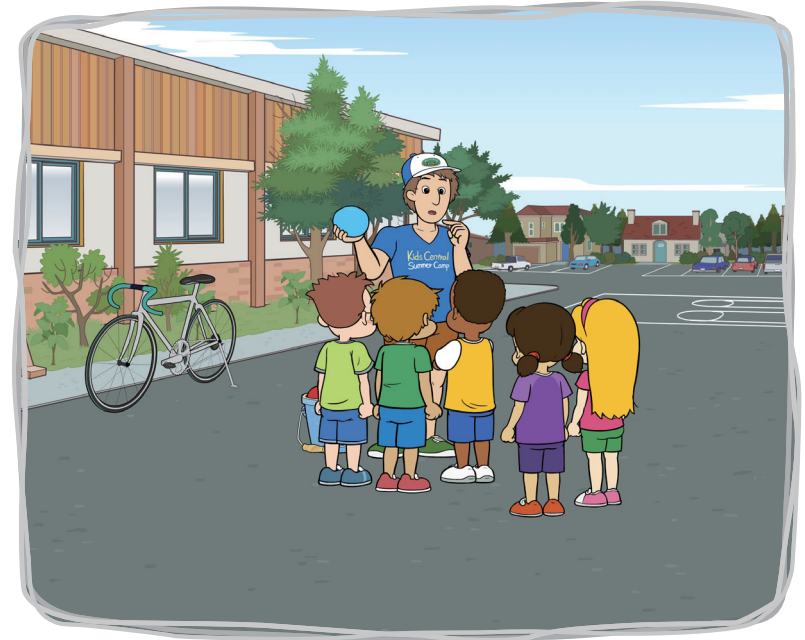
"Jason and Ethan!" Izzie squealed.

"That's right." Mr. Dunn looked surprised.



“No. I mean Jason and Ethan are here!” Izzie pointed as Jason and Ethan walked over to them.

“Great. Jason, Ethan, I’m Mr. Dunn. Everybody, follow me outside.” Mr. Dunn led them to the blacktop. “We’re going to have a get-to-know-you water balloon toss. Please get into pairs.”



Izzie and Nina paired up first.

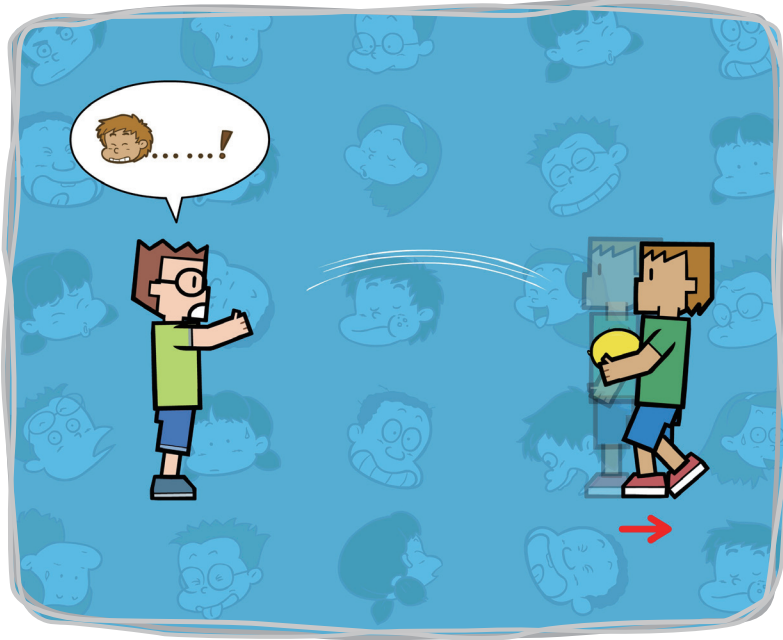
Then Jason and Ethan paired up. “Bobby, will you be my partner?” Mr. Dunn asked.

Bobby’s face brightened. “Sure!”

“We’ll start facing each other,” Mr. Dunn explained.

“One person holds the balloon. When





you toss the balloon, say something you know about your partner. For example.” Mr. Dunn looked at Bobby. “Bobby likes basketball!” he said as he tossed Bobby the water balloon. Bobby caught it easily.

“When you catch the balloon, take one step back. Then toss it to your partner and say something about him or her. Get it?”



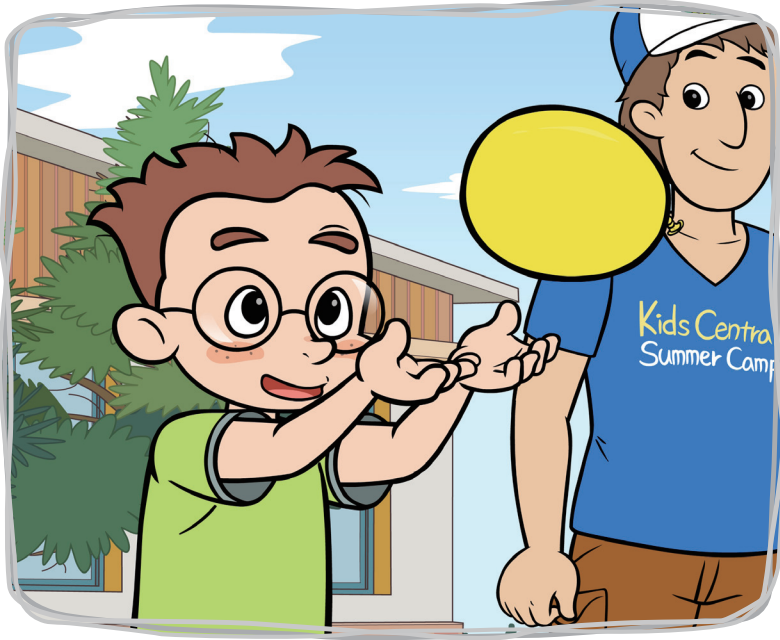
Mr. Dunn looked at everyone.

“Got it!” Izzie held a balloon over her head.

“Be careful, Izzie,” Nina said. “If you burst that balloon, we’re out of the game.”

“Nina’s right,” said Mr. Dunn. “The last pair with a water balloon is the winner.”

The partners lined up facing each other.



“Jason likes to cook!” Ethan called, tossing the balloon.

“Ethan likes the ocean!” Jason threw it back to his partner.

“Nina’s good at jumping rope,” Izzie said.

“Izzie’s good at making people laugh,” Nina said.



Bobby still hadn’t thrown his balloon. “Uh-oh, Mr. Dunn. I don’t know anything about you,” he said.

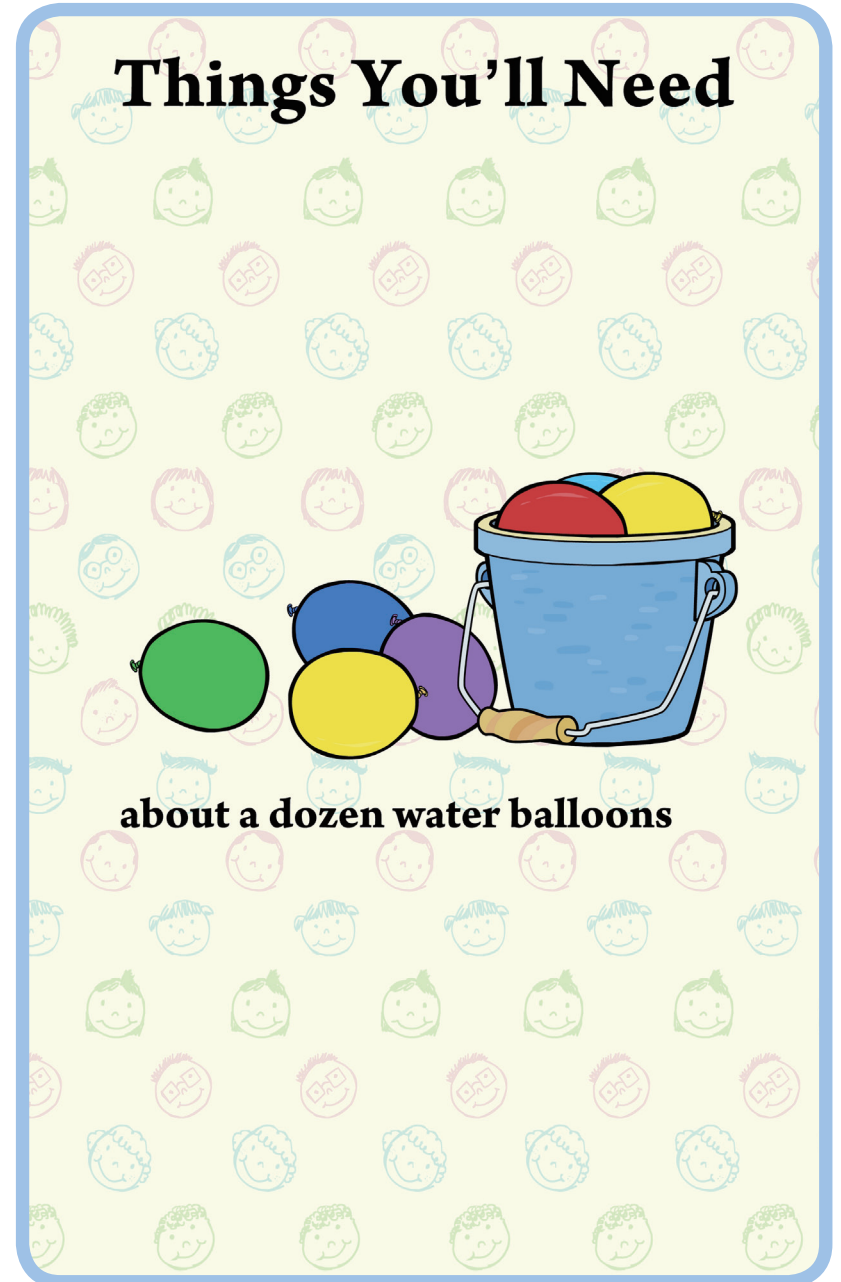
“Sure, you do,” Mr. Dunn said. “Think.”

“You ride your bike to camp!” Izzie said.

“You like to garden!” Ethan said.



Bobby smiled. “You’re friends with Miss Shelly!” The kids cheered. “This summer is going to be fun!” Bobby thought.



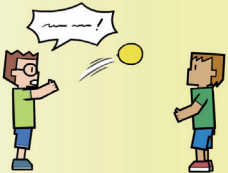
# Do It Yourself



1) Fill the balloons with water and place them in a bucket or on the ground.



2) Stand facing your partner. One of you holds a balloon.



3) Each time you toss the balloon to your partner, say something you know about him/her. (Make sure it's nothing mean or untrue!)



4) Each time you catch the balloon, take a step back.



5) If one of you bursts the balloon, your team is out.



6) The team that gets the farthest away from each other without breaking its balloon wins!